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Removal of Magpie Valuation Records from Kalimpong to Kalimpong

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154 To The Deputy Commissioner Darjeeling
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II

Removal of Nagar Taluk No. 2 to Kallurkatte

1887.

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GENERAL.

PROCEEDINGS.

Dated 17*th May* 1887.

No. 809-10.
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Deciding that the Taluk Cutcherry should be removed from Nagar to Kallurkatte, Shimoga District.

Mysore Government Press, Bangalore —23-6-87 —80.

From the Deputy Commissioner, Shimoga District, To the Chief Secretary to the Dewan of Mysore, No. 570—R. 552, dated Camp Shikarpur, 15th January 1887.

I have the honor to represent that the time has arrived for a definite solution being given to the question whether Nagar is to be retained as the Head-quarters of the Taluk or whether the offices are to be shifted to Kallurkatte.

2. The Executive Engineer, Shimoga Division, is, with the approval of the Educational Secretary, preparing a project for a new school house for Nagar Taluk, and he is also preparing an estimate for urgent repairs to the Taluk Cutcherry at a cost of Rs. 3,000. I have requested him that costly constructions and repairs may be held in abeyance until the decision of Government is known regarding Nagar being kept up as the Head-quarters of the Taluk.

3. I have made myself thoroughly acquainted with all parts of the Nagar Taluk. I have seen the ghat roads leading from Mysore into Canara and have held repeated conferences with the people of the Taluk. All are agreed that Nagar is badly situated, has no trade, and is extremely unhealthy and they are also conscious of the superior advantages of Kallurkatte from its situation at the head of two ghats, and in the midst of a comparatively open country abounding in springs only a few feet below the surface. This station is daily growing in importance as a trade centre and has the advantage, in an administrative point of view, of being situated centrically with reference to all parts of the Taluk.

4. The only objection to abandoning Nagar is based on sentiment

5. Both from temperament and from my studies, I should be the last person to advocate any policy that was likely to lead to the neglect or injury of ancient and historical monuments or places. But there is hardly any thing to preserve in Nagar. With the fall of the Keladi dynasty, the glory of the place departed and what little of its architecture and monuments was left was destroyed by the rabble in the rebellion of 1831. The question therefore resolves itself to this, whether in spite of administrative, sanitary and trade inconveniences, Government shall, simply from sentimental considerations, allow thousands of rupees to be spent in improving the Government buildings in a fast decaying place like Nagar with the sure prospect of having to abandon it sooner or later, or whether it shall, while there is yet time to do so, once for all adopt as the Head-quarters a place possessing all the requisites for a central station and which is fast rising into importance.

6. It may not perhaps be out of place to remind those who are opposed to the transfer on sentimental grounds, that Nagar itself is the third place in which the Keladi dynasty have held their Court. The transfer to Nagar would appear to have been prompted by precisely the same considerations as those under which the transfer to Kallurkatte is now applied for. At that time the conquests of the Keladi dynasty had extended to what is now known as Canara, and Nagar, under the altered circumstances, was a better centre than Ikkeri.

7. In this connection I beg to give below an extract from a letter of Colonel H. M. Elliot No. 256, dated 19th July 1866, addressed to the Commissioner of Nagar Division, regarding the value of Nagar as a Head-quarter when advocating certain territorial changes in 1866.

"Many objections would of course be raised by the inhabitants of the Town of Nagar and it "may seem a pity that a place which has become historical should be forsaken, but under the "circumstances it could not be helped. Even were the Nagar Taluk to remain in *statu quo*, "it would be better to establish a new Head-quarters for it as it unfortunately lies on the high "road to nowhere, it is isolated in a corner and very inaccessible, a place of no trade, going "rapidly into ruins and decay and will soon be a wild jungle, the resort of beast of prey."

8. I beg to request the favor of an early reply to this reference.

From the Deputy Commissioner, Shimoga District, To the Chief Secretary to the Dewan of Mysore, No. 39—R 38, dated 18th April 1887.

In reply to your dockets Nos C 1979 and C 2295, dated 15th and 30th March respectively, forwarding for opinion a protest from the inhabitants of Nagar against the transfer of the Taluk Cutcherry to Kallurkatte, I have the honor to append a memo showing the objection of the petitioners and the Amildar's replies to them.

2. I may state here that I was for a long time myself unwilling to recommend a transfer and it was after long and anxious consideration of all the *pros* and *cons* of the question that I finally came to the conclusion that the transfer of the Taluk Cutcherry to Kallurkatte was necessary both in the interests of Government and of the public.

Proceedings of the Dewan to His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore, (General),—dated 17th May 1887.

3. The owners of house property will suffer to some extent but except in the case of one or two Sahukars, the houses are not of much value and could be easily removed to Kallurkatte I quite agree with the Amildar that there have been no attempts on the part of outsiders to come and settle in Nagar.

4. The residents of the place will no doubt be put to expense, trouble and annoyance in trying to accommodate themselves to the altered state of things when the Head-quarters of the Taluk are removed to Kallurkatte, but I am persuaded that a little inconvenience at the outset will be amply repaid by the continued health and prosperity that will attend a change to that place. I believe even the long settled residents of the place are not exempt from periodical attacks of fever, and as regards officials I am constantly troubled with applications for transfer and leave from them. My belief is that when once Kallurkatte is made the Taluk Head-quarters, it will prove to be the healthiest station in the District and will be eagerly resorted to by the officials and the people.

5. I may repeat in conclusion that I have not the least hesitation in recommending the transfer to Kallurkatte as one of advantage from every point of view.

6. The petition received with the above and the Amildar's * report thereon and a † petition from the inhabitants of Kallur, with a brief translation, are herewith submitted.

* No. 2, dated 11th April 1887.
† Registered No 198, dated 1st January 1887.

Abstract Translation of the Petition, dated 1st January 1887, Registered No. 198, of the Merchants, Sahukars and other Ryots of the Nagar Taluk.

Nagar is not situated in the centre of the Taluk. It is bounded on the south by the Hyderghar ghat at a distance of 9 miles, on the east by the same ghat at a distance of 19 miles, on the west by Lakshmipur ghat at a distance of 12 miles and on the north by Mosrur and Benavalli villages. It is in a corner and is somewhat like a village. Trade is not extensively carried on there. It is very inconvenient for ryots as they have to travel a long distance, remain there for sometime and then fall sick. There has been a gradual decrease in the population.

Kallurkatte is very convenient for carrying on trade, for it has access to 2 or 3 ghats. The climate of this place is good for all as it is situated in a somewhat plain country. Some of the merchants have an idea of settling themselves here. It is in the centre of the Taluk. It is bounded on the east by Benavalli country at a distance of 18 miles, on the west by Lakshmipur and Jala country at a distance of from 9 to 12 miles. on the south by Hyderghar ghat at a distance of 18 miles and on the north by Patguppe, Hunthal and Kiruvarige country at a distance of 12 miles. It affords every facility for ryots and other people to come and go. If the Taluk Cutcherry is to be established there, it would rise to importance. We hear that the former officers also had entertained an opinion of shifting the Taluk Cutcherry to Kallur. We request that orders may be passed to establish the Taluk Cutcherry at Kallurkatte in the interests of the ryots and other people.

Translation of the Petition of the inhabitants of Nagar and the Nagar Amildar's Ittilla thereon.

Petition.

Para 1. As there was no suitable building for the Dispensary, we subscribed Rs. 500 and requested the Government to have a new building constructed for it. Accordingly the project was sanctioned and the work was given out on contract We now hear that the Public Works Department has ordered the stoppage of the construction of the Dispensary owing to the contemplated transfer of the Taluk Cutcherry from Nagar to Kallurkatte.

Para 2 We hear that the representation of the officials of the Nagar Taluk to get a transfer is being supported by the Deputy Commissioner. The officials here have not been saying that Nagar is a sickly place and Kallurkatte a good and healthy one They have not been saying that they are willing to go to any other Taluk

Amildar's Ittilla.

Para 1. The work to the extent of Rs. 500 subscribed by the townspeople for the Dispensary is now required to be done. Though there may be a difference of opinion as to whether the Dispensary should be built at Nagar or Kallurkatte, yet it seems to me that it would be very convenient and useful for all people if one at Nagar and another at Kallurkatte were built.

Para 2. The fact of many of the Taluk officials with their families falling sick and then going out for a change to get restored to their former health after suffering for a very long time, and also of the fact of many officials falling sick now and then to the detriment of the Government work and thereafter trying to

they are transferred. The majority of the officials are outsiders. Some of them wish to have a transfer on the ground that they have not got their relations, and some on the ground that the place is distant to their native place. They apply for transfer to a Taluk which is agreeable to them. If they are transferred to Taluk to which they wish to go, they would go. If not, they say they would remain in Nagar till that time. These officials have been here for the last 6, 7, 8 or 9 years. In one instance when an order was received enquiring whether any one may be willing to go to Shikarpur, nobody consented to go. I leave it to the Government to see that while they ask for a transfer from Nagar, they would or would not ask for the same if the Taluk Cutcherry is transferred to Kallurkatte.

Para 3. Nagar is not a sicklier place than Shikarpur and the other Malnad Taluks of Tirthahalli, Sagar and Sorab. This fact may be testified to by a reference to the accounts of the Dispensary. This year there has been no disease in Nagar.

Para 4. From a perusal of the baravards of this Taluk along with those of the other Taluks for 10 years, it will be seen in what Taluk there has been a large number of vacancies among officials. Not a single official died. A shroff who died some 7 or 8 years ago was a native of this place.

Para 5. There are large temples and other buildings in Nagar. There is every convenience for water and also accommodation to ryots and others coming to Nagar on Government duty. The opening of the Hydergher ghat road has since rendered the climate better Owing to this good climate, many people from South Canara, Hosangadi, Siddapur and other places have come and settled themselves here and have been carrying on trade. They have also built houses at a cost of Rs. 100, 200 and even 300. Some people are even now building houses. They have also been obtaining building sites. Some of the people have ceased to build their houses owing to the contemplated transfer of the Taluk Cutcherry to Kallurkatte. If it should be sanctioned to construct a new Taluk Cutcherry, a Dispensary and a School, the same would give a stimulus to many to construct a larger number of houses, thereby increasing the population.

Para 6. We request that the subject may be taken in a favorable view and the retention of the Taluk Cutcherry at Nagar, which was once the capital of the old Rajas, may be ordered We beg further to represent that we humbly take this opportunity of basing our present request on a promise graciously held out by His Highness while here last time.

get a transfer would speak to the climate of Nagar being not at all good. Besides in my enquiry, it has been ascertained that the population is day by day decreasing which is attributed to the bad climate of the place.

Para 3. The very fact of the officials transferred to Nagar not being willing to come to Nagar clearly shows that they fear to undergo the sufferings arising from the unhealthiness of the place.

Para 4. It is true that many officials did not die; but the expenses and trouble which they underwent to get restored to their former health by going out for a change were great.

Para 5. It is true that Nagar possesses large temples and other buildings. But I do not see why the Taluk Cutcherry should not be held in a place which is in every way suited to the officials and to the general public. It does not also appear from the reasons assigned by the petitioners that it is inconvenient for the people coming from outside to build houses at Kallurkatte. I have not heard any man having come to Nagar for building houses, nor is there anything on record to show that fact.

Para 6. While His Highness had been here last time, a question had arisen about this matter. It appears that it was then settled that the transfer of the Taluk Cutcherry was not under contemplation; but it should not be inferred from this that the Taluk Cutcherry should be retained at Nagar permanently.

Opinion of the Amildar.

It is nearly upwards of 4 years since I have come to this Taluk. The town of Nagar is situated in such a low position that it does not permit of any improvement being satisfactorily effected on the sanitary condition of the Town. It is customary with many of the people here to go

out when they fall sick and return after getting restored to their former health. Doctor McGann, the Senior Surgeon, who had come here a few days ago, also inspected the Town and expressed his opinion that the town is not a healthy one. Many of the Shekdars and other officials fall sick now and then. It is clear from Government records that since 1832 the town has been gradually falling into ruins Many houses have since come down and the population has gradually decreased Considering all these points, it seems to me that Kallurkatte would be a better place for holding the Taluk Cutcherry. There are 6 public roads around it. It is a trade centre. A fair is being held every Saturday. It is in the centre of the Taluk, while Nagar is in a corner It is very healthy as it is situated on a high ground, round which there is a Maidan country I hear that some of the former officers were in favor of a transfer to Kallurkatte. I am also of the same opinion as the transfer would be of great convenience to the people

No. 809-10—22, dated Bangalore, 17th May 1887.

Order thereon.—After careful consideration of all the arguments that have been advanced for and against the transfer of the Head-quarters of the Nagar Taluk from Nagar to Kallurkatte, the Government is of opinion that the interest of improved administration and the convenience of the great majority of the inhabitants of the Taluk demand that the Taluk Cutcherry should be removed from Nagar to Kallurkatte. This decision will be communicated to the Public Works Department in view to the early construction of a suitable Cutcherry at the latter place The Deputy Commissioner will proceed to select a site for it in every way suitable and convenient.

R. VIJAYINDRA RAO,
Chief Secretary.

To—The Deputy Commissioner, Shimoga District.
The Secretary, Public Works Department.

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From Patel Gandadappa

Shimoga

To Mysore 18-86

The Chief Secretary to the
Dewan of Mysore.

Dated 22 January/88

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Stating that the removal of Taluk head quarters to Kallurkatte without permission has caused great loss to the public

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From The Dy Commissioner Shimoga Dist. G 3835

To The Chief Secretary to the Dewan of Mysore.

Dated 3d February 1893.

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Forwards copy of Sagar Sub Division Officers Letter dto 4th, dated 30th Ultimo regarding the Removal of the Sagar Taluk Cutcherry with the Treasury to Kallurkatte

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1893.

From

The Deputy Commissioner
Shimoga District.

To

The Chief Secretary to the
Dewan of Mysore

Dated 3d February 1893.

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Has the honor to forward, for the information of the Govern ment, copy of the Sagar Sub Division officer's letter No 457 dated 30th Ultimo regarding the removal on the 19th Ultimo, of the Nagar Taluk Cutcherry with the Treasury to the new building at Kallenkatte.

Abdul Rahiman, Khan Bahadr
Dy. Commissioner

MDL

Sub Division Office
Camp Kallurkatte
30th January 1873

No. 457.

To
The Deputy Commissioner
Shimoga.

Sir,

I have the honor to report that the Nagara Taluk Cutcherry with the Treasury and Police Head Station was transferred to Kallurkatte on the 19th Instant and located in the new Cutcherry house.

2. All the officials except the Police Inspector have their residences here and have occupied the accommodation provided for them.

3. The Government private Bungalow has been handed over to the Taluk Cutcherry for the use of the Treasury Guard &c. A separate reference has been made to obtain the sanction for the

4. I would beg to suggest the fact of the transfer of the Cutcherry may be notified in three issues of the official Gazette for general information.

I have &c

sd/ D. Chaudhuri Rao

Sub Division Officer

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Robert Anderson

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The Nagar Taluk Cutchery with the Treasury and Police Head Station were transferred to Kallurkatté and located in the new Cutchery building at that place, on the 19th January 1893

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To,
The Comptroller Mr. S.
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Letter from the DC Shimoga Dt.
No 457 of the 30th January 1893
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19th January 1893, and located
in the new Cutcherry building
at that place.

Order thereon

No 13917-8
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Recorded. The transfer of
the Taluk Cutcherry to Kallur
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Chief Secy.

To,
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